

SITES IN OLD WASATCH COUNTY WHERE POST OFFICES
List of: (OFFICIAL AND UNOFFICIAL WERE LOCATED)

Names:	HBUM	FGS	Pict.	Hist.
Back of John Wesley Witt Freight Wagon			✓	
Store of John Wesley Witt			✓	
Buyssville --Established by Chas J Wallquist in his home				
Keetley --in George Fisher Store				
Charleston --Small Ship Lap Building (Wboden/)			✓	
Midway --in several locations				
Wallsburg --in 3 locations				
Heber --in several locations				
Soldier Summit --unknown exact location				
Fruitland			✓	
Tabiona				
Hanna				
Duchesne or Theodore				
Roosevelt				
Vernal				
Bench Creek --received mail from Woodland				



The mail goes through, at least most of the time

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"Neither snow nor rain nor heat nor gloom of night stays these couriers from the swift completion of their appointed rounds. Herodotus" — plaque on the General Post office in New York City.

This quotation has inspired Uncle Sam's mailmen and women for many years. But it doesn't guarantee that a given letter or package might not get lost or delayed for months or years before reaching its destination.

A letter written a year ago was recently delivered to my neighbor, Vip Babcock, who lives less than a mile away from the MTC, where the letter had originated. The sender, my grandson, is now in Korea on a mission.

Veteran post office people say things like that do happen on occasion. Rex Craig, a Provo carrier, found a letter on top of a dormitory mail bank at BYU that was three years old. It was addressed to a girl who had been gone from campus for a year and a half, but they found her new address and sent it on. Sometimes letters get delayed four or five months because they get stuck, unnoticed, in the bottom of the mail sack.

Hal Halliday, a 25 year veteran of the Provo post office, recalls that about a dozen years ago a letter postmarked in 1908 in Florida arrived in Provo addressed to a man in Richfield, known to still be alive. "We sent the letter on," Halliday recalls. "We hoped it was not an acceptance of a marriage proposal." The letter had apparently lodged behind a counter, and was discovered only when they put up a new post office.

Phil Morgan, superintendent of operations at the Provo post office, says "We're still getting mail that was lost when the two airliners crashed over the Grand Canyon about 20 years ago. Apparently there was a lot of mail involved and every so often a letter will show up from that crash — apparently from someone out exploring."

Morgan says that "recently a contract driver hauling mail from Provo to southern Utah got as far as Spanish Fork when he discovered his truck door was open and mail had scattered along the highway. It was a foggy night to boot and they were out all night trying to pick it up."

But when one considers that the Provo post office handles from a third to a half million pieces of mail a day, it's no wonder that occasionally something gets lost or delayed. Morgan says that right now his office is 99.7 percent efficient. The post office people nightly run checks to see how long it takes for mail to get from one place



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to another and if the deliveries are meeting post office standards.

Up to now, two-day delivery has been the standard for mail from Provo to Orem. But recently the Provo post office arranged for a mail truck to make stops in Orem and other north county towns on the way to Salt Lake City so that these towns can get overnight service from Provo.

"We're trying now to see if we can't put on another truck to get overnight service to Salt Lake. It is really ridiculous now — two days' service. We can get overnight service now to St. George. And we're only three days to Korea," Morgan says.

And matching the "horror" stories are other stories about mail postmen going the second mile and making near impossible deliveries. For example, a Provo woman recently received a letter from Japan addressed only with her name, "Provo, Utah" and part of the zip code.

Post office people also wrestle with the problem of things being stolen from the mail. Recently a woman sent her teen-aged daughter to the Provo post office to mail off \$450 in a money order to a mortgage company in Texas. But the daughter mailed the cash instead of getting a money order and it was lost — apparently pilfered.

Craig delivers mail to BYU and when students try to send cash in the mail he returns their letters, explaining that such letters "will never make it." Theft from mails is so bad in Latin America that some people mail one shoe at a time to their LDS missionaries to reduce chances of pilferage.

As Herodotus wrote, weather doesn't stop the mailmen. But given the amount of mail they handle and the chances there are for human error and theft, we need to be smart when we send priceless or valuable items in the mail. For a starter we should ask the post office people what to do — whether to use certified or insured mail, to send a backup copy of important documents or what. They really want to serve us.



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